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In response to the "NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION – FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53 (b) – Filing Date Granted" mailed March 5, 2004 (copy enclosed) and stating that the Oath or Declaration was missing or unsigned, enclosed herewith is an executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney and also a copy of a Petition to accept the Declaration and Power of Attorney form signed by one co-inventor on behalf of himself and also the other co-inventor along with supporting documentation.

The "NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION sent on this last May 5, 2004. A response was due this last May 5, 2004. A two-month extension of time is hereby requested to make the present response due on July 6, 2004 (July 5 being a Monday on the fourth of July weekend and thus being a national holiday). A check for the \$65.00 small entity surcharge fee is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed for the 2-month extension fee. It is believed that no other fee is due at this time to maintain this application in full force and effect, however, if any such fee is due,

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Signed at Bellingham, County of Whatcom, State of Washington, on this July 6, 2004.

Respectfully submitted,

Donald Bruce McDugle

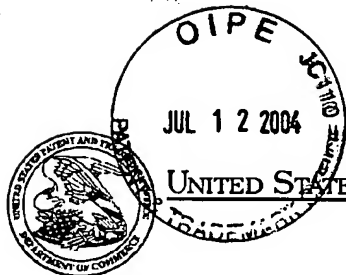
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity

- \$65 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

Items Required To Avoid Processing Delays:

The item(s) indicated below are also required and should be submitted with any reply to this notice to avoid further processing delays.

- A new oath or declaration, identifying this application number is required. The oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.63 in that it:
- does not identify the citizenship of each inventor.

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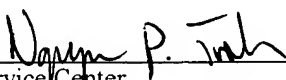
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